Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

These amendments introduce no new matter and support for the amendment is replete throughout the specification and claims as originally filed. These amendments are made without prejudice and are not to be construed as abandonment of the previously claimed subject matter, or agreement with any objection or rejection of record.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 - 16. (Canceled)

Claim 17. (Previously presented) A compound having the formula:

or

in which

R' is selected from the group consisting of H, alkyl, physiologically acceptable salt or metal, the ammonium cation, and --CHR₂OCO(CH₃)₃, in which

R₂ is selected from the group consisting of H, lower alkyl; deltabutyrolactonyl, methoxycarbonyloxymethyl, phenyl,

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methylsulphinylmethyl, β - morpholinoethyl, dialkylaminoethyl, and dialkylaminocarbonyloxymethyl;

A is selected from the group consisting of O, SO, SO $_2$ and CH $_2$; and Z is selected from:

$$R_3$$
 C_1
 B_1
 N
 H

$$\begin{array}{c} (X) \\ R \\ X \end{array}$$

; and

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wherein

R₃ is a linker;

X is H, F, Cl, Br, or CO₂R'; and

Y is N, CH, C-CN, or C-CF₃.

Claim 18. (Cancelled)

Claim 19. (Currently amended) \underline{AThe} compound $\underline{comprisingof\ claim\ 1}$, wherein the compound has the structure:

wherein n is 0, 1, or 2.

Claims 20 - 26. (Cancelled)